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Primary Election

(Anchorage) – Lieutenant Governor Loren Leman and the Division of Elections Director Whitney Brewster remind Alaska voters that Tuesday, August 22 is Primary Election Day.

Alaskans have three ballots to choose from for the Primary Election:

- Combined ballot with ballot measures available to any registered voter. Displays all Alaska political party candidates except Republican candidates;
 - Republican ballot with ballot measures available to registered Republicans or Nonpartisan and Undeclared voters. Displays only Republican candidates; or
- Ballot measures only ballot available to any registered voter. Displays only ballot measures, does not include any candidates.

A good graphic describing the ballot choices is available on the Division website.

Please be aware that the election results will not be posted to the Division of Elections' web site until after 9 p.m. on Election Day. This year, the Division will be using two types of voting machines as required by the federal Help America Vote Act. Uploading the optical scan units and the touch screen units will require more time, and thus will mean that results will be available after 9 p.m. Results in previous elections were available shortly after 8 p.m., when polls closed. Additionally, the Division wants to capture as many of the results as possible prior to posting. One of the limitations of the election management system is that if the optical scan machine results from a precinct are uploaded and not the touch screen unit, the report will show that precinct as having reported although results for both units have not yet been uploaded. To avoid confusion, the Division wants to make sure as many precincts have uploaded both units as possible prior to posting results.

For voter convenience, polling locations will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. August 22. Identification is required at the polling place in order to receive a ballot. Acceptable forms of ID include a voter ID card, driver's license, state ID card, passport, military ID card, birth certificate or hunting or fishing license. If a voter does not have identification, they will be asked to vote a Questioned ballot.

Voters who do not know where their polling place is located can call the Division's toll free polling place at 1-888-383-8683 or contact any Division of Elections office.

Below is contact and location information for the various election offices:

Region I Elections Office 9109 Mendenhall Mall Rd. Suite 3 Juneau, Alaska 99811 Phone: (907) 465-3021

Fax: (907) 465-2289

Region II Elections Office 2525 Gambell St, Suite 100 Anchorage, Alaska 99503 Phone: (907) 522-8683 Fax: (907) 522-2341

Region III Elections Office 675 Seventh Avenue, Suite H3 Fairbanks, Alaska 99701 Phone: (907) 451-2835 Fax: (907) 451-2832

Region IV Elections Office 103 E. Front St. Nome, Alaska 99762 Phone: (907) 443-5285 Fax: (907) 443-2973

Kenai Elections Office 11312 Kenai Spur Highway, Suite 45 Kenai, Alaska 99611 Phone: (907) 283-3805 Fax: (907) 283-3826

Matanuska-Susitna Elections Office North Fork Professional Building 1700 E. Bogard Road, Building B, Suite 102 Wasilla, Alaska 99654 Phone: (907) 373-8952

For additional information, please visit the <u>Division of Elections website</u>. If you do not have access to the Internet, or if you have questions or need assistance, please contact any Elections office.